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Identical letters dated 15 July 2014 from the Permanent Representative of Israel to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General and the President of the Security Council

In the past week, I have sent letters alerting you to the barrage of rockets fired at Israel from Hamas in Gaza and terrorist organizations in Lebanon. I am writing to inform you that Israel is now being attacked from a third front, in addition to facing those threats.

On 13 and 14 July 2014, a series of Grad missiles were shot from Syria into the Israeli Golan Heights. These unprovoked attacks, which are in clear violation of the 1974 separation of forces agreement, were launched from a Syrian Government controlled area. The Government of Israel holds the Government of Syria and the Syrian army responsible for all attacks from its territory towards Israel.

Israel has repeatedly issued warnings and sent letters to the Security Council cautioning that the provocations on the part of Syria will not be tolerated. The attacks on northern Israel have the potential to escalate tensions and further destabilize the region.

Israel has shown maximum restraint thus far, but will exercise its full right to self-defence. I urge the Security Council to demand that the Syrian Government respect the separation of forces agreement and prevent future attacks on Israel.

I should be grateful if you would have the present letter distributed as a document of the Security Council.

(*Signed*) Ron **Prosor**
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